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Box No II Priority	
Box No III Non-establishment of opinio	n with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention	
Box No V Reasoned statement under R applicability, citations and ex	ule 43 <i>bis</i> 1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial xplanations supporting such statement
Box No VI Certain documents cited	·
Box No. VII Certain defects in the interna	ational application
Box No VIII Certain observations on the	international application
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International Preliminary Examining Authority ("Il	on is made, this opinion will be considered to be a written opinion of the PEA") except that this does not apply where the applicant chooses an a chosen IPEA has notified the International Bureau under Rule 66 1 bis(b) authority will not be so considered
IPEA a written reply together, where appropriate, wi of Form PCT/ISA/220 or before the expiration of 22	be a written opinion of the IPEA, the applicant is invited to submit to the th amendments, before the expiration of 3 months from the date of mailing months from the priority date, whichever expires later
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International application No.

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Box No. I Basis of this opinion
1 With regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
the international application in the language in which it was filed
a translation of the international application into, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23 1(b))
 With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
a type of material
a sequence listing
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contained in the international application as filed
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furnished subsequently to this Authority for the purposes of search
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4. Additional comments:

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applicability; citations and exp	lanations supporting such statement	
Statement		
Novelty (N)	Claims NONE	YE
• • •	Claims 1-37	NC
Inventive den (IS)	Claims NONE	YE
Inventive step (IS)	Claims 1-37	NC
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1-37	YE
	Claims NONE	INC
Citations and explanations:		
made or used in industry	e 33(4), and thus have industrial applicability beca	and the factor in inter-citizen

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The letter must indicate the differences between the claims as filed and the claims as amended. It must, in particular, indicate, in connection with each claim appearing in the international application (it being understood that identical indications concerning several claims may be grouped), whether

- (i) the claim is unchanged:
- (ii) the claim is cancelled;
- (iii) the claim is new;
- (iv) the claim replaces one or more claims as filed;
- (v) the claim is the result of the division of a claim as filed

The following examples illustrate the manner in which amendments must be explained in the accompanying letter:

- [Where originally there were 48 claims and after amendment of some claims there are 51]: Claims 1 to 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37 to 48 replaced by amended claims bearing the same numbers. claims 30, 33 and 36 unchanged; new claims 49 to 51 added
- [Where onginelly there were 15 claims and after amendment of all claims there are 11]: "Claims 1 to 15 replaced by amended claims 1 to 11"
- [Where originally there were 14 claims and the amendments consist in cancelling some claims and in
- "Claims I to 6 and I4 unchanged: claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added "or
 - "Claims 7 to 13 cancelled; new claims 15, 16 and 17 added; all other claims unchanged"
- "Claims 1-10 unchanged; claims 11 to 13, 18 and 19 cancelled; claims 14, 15 and 16 replaced by amended claim 14; claim 17 subdivided into amended claims 15, 16 and 17; new claims 20 and 21 added." [Where various kinds of amendments are made]:

"Statement under Article 19(1)" (Rule 46.4)

The amendments may be accompanied by a statement explaining the amendments and indicating any impact such amendments might have on the description and the drawings (which cannot be amended under the description and the drawings). Anicle 19(1))

The statement will be published with the international application and the amended claims.

It must be in the Ennguage in which the international application is to be published.

It must be brief, not exceeding 500 words if in English or if translated into English

It should not be confused with and does not replace the letter indicating the differences between the claims as filed and as amended the must be filed on a separate sheet and must be identified as such by a heading, preferably by using the words "Statement under Article 19(3)."

It may not contain any disparaging comments on the international search report or the relevance of citations contained in that report Reference to citations, relevant to a given claim, contained in the international search report may be made only in connection with an amendment of that claim

Consequence if a demand for international preliminary examination has already been filed

If at the time of filing any amendments and any accompanying statement, under Article 19, a demand for meriational preliminary examination has already been submitted, the applicant must preferably, at the time of filing the amendments (and any statement) with the International Bureau, also file with the International Preliminary Examining Authority a copy of such amendments (and of any statement) and, where required, a translation of such amendments for the procedure before that Authority (see Rules 55.3(a) and 62.2, first sentence) For further information, see the Notes to the demand form (PCT/IPEA/401)...

Consequence with regard to translation of the international application for entry into the national phase

The applicant's amention is drawn to the fact that, upon entry into the national phase, a translation of the claims as amended under Article 19 may have to be furnished to the designated/elected Offices, instead of, or in addition to the translation of the claims as filed.

For further details on the requirements of each designated elected Office, see the PCT Applicant's Guide. Volume II.